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MARKET HOLDING
UP VERY GOODOLD AND NEW POTATOES AT
CHICAGO SHOW ADVANCE—
SITUATION GOOD.

SEABOARD PRICES UNSETTLED

Stock Coming Into New York in Bad
Condition Due to Delay—Sales at
All Kinds of Prices Last Week.

Sales at Chicago and thruout the middle west were better last week than the prices received a year ago at this time. Conditions are exceptionally good for a reasonable price on spuds for this fall's market. The situation as given by The Packer for the last few days is as follows:

A few of the new potato operators of Chicago predicted six weeks ago that the potato market would look up when the movement from eastern sections began, but the most optimistic among them did not anticipate as healthy advances as were made the closing days of last week and the opening days of the present period.

Tuesday the market was stronger under moderate receipts. Texas Triumphs moved readily at \$2.85a3 per cwt., Louisiana Triumphs at 2.75a2.90, and long whites at \$2.60a2.75. Receipts were 38 cars and there were 155 cars on track at the beginning of the day's trading.

Wednesday the market showed a weakness and sales were made at 5a 10c under former quotations. Receipts were 55 cars.

Continued weakness ruled the market Thursday and sales were made at about 10c lower. There were 55 cars reported arrived.

The old potato market showed much strength and the price advanced to levels, which no one had looked for at the wind-up of the old deal.

Receipts have been steadily decreasing as the various nearby shipping points clean up.

No. 1 sacked Wisconsin white stock moved mainly around \$1.90a2 per cwt., when of good quality. Bulk stock sold at 10a15c lower. Receipts ran around 20 cars daily.

Better Market for Potatoes in St. Louis.

St. Louis. — There was a better market for new potatoes here this week and prices advanced materially all along the line.

Old potatoes are scarce and in limited demand at steady values.

Texas, Mississippi and Louisiana Triumphs bring \$2.50a3 per cwt. for good resacked. Alabama hampers Triumphs sell at \$1.50.

Old potatoes, Wisconsin, jobbed in sacks at \$2 delivered and \$2.25 delivered for rural.

Potato Pest in Dodge County.

Fremont, Neb.—Potato bugs are unusually numerous in Dodge county this year. It is claimed the early coming of exceedingly warm weather has hatched the eggs earlier than usual. Last year no potato bugs appeared in Dodge county.

New York.—It was a tough job to try to get a line on the receipts of southern potatoes in New York this week. The trade has been kicking because the transportation companies have been splitting up the deliveries.

Southern potatoes were being delivered at pier 28, pier 29, at the B. & O. pier 7, at pier 37 and some cars being sent over to Brooklyn from Staten Island.

There must have been about 225 cars of fresh arrivals in New York Monday and the condition of the stock was something frightful. Car after car was rotten. What were saleable brought all the way from \$2 per barrel up.

Tuesday morning the market on good, sound, desirable potatoes ranged from \$5 to \$6 per barrel. The lowest price for anything saleable was \$1.50 per barrel.

There were fairly good offerings of old potatoes in the yards. There were perhaps 50 cars a day there this week. On account of the poor quality of new potatoes some of the buyers have gone back to old ones and were paying \$3.25a3.75 per 180 pounds bulk in the yards for them. Most of the stock is coming from New York state, with none whatever from Maine and a few cars from Michigan.

The report of the bureau of crop estimates, United States department of agriculture, on the potato crop shows that the average price for Nebraska this year has been 89c, while a year ago the average price was \$2.92. The average price from 1910 to 1914 was 89c for the state. The average price for potatoes this year for the United States was 75 1/2c, while a year ago the average was \$2.74, and the average from 1910 to 1914 was 69c.

A RIP SNORTER
ONE YEAR HENCEChange of the Convention From Al-
liance to Gordon Will Not Kill the
Stockmen's Annual Party.

Next spring Alliance will hold a stockmen's reunion with the same feature program that was pulled off this year, only on a larger and more extensive scale. Although the stockmen's business for the year will be transacted at Gordon, the drawing feature of the event will not be impaired.

At the directors' meeting last Monday plans were laid for the program for next year. The event will go by the old name of the "stockmen's reunion." It was decided also that no concessions would be allowed in the business section, inasmuch as the kicking from various sources made ill feeling that should be avoided. The concessions will all be taken to the fair grounds unless otherwise decided by special petition. The schedule of events will be arranged four months ahead of time.

ALLIANCE CONVENTION
THE VANISHING WESTLincoln Citizen Says Entertainment
Here Last Week Was Best Ever
Held in Nebraska.

The Omaha World-Herald contained the following dispatch from its Lincoln correspondent on June 17:

"At Cheyenne they call it 'frontier days,' others call it 'wild west,' and others have other names. The 'vanishing west' would be a better name, declares a Lincoln man who attended the stockmen's convention at Alliance last week.

"It was, perhaps, the best meeting ever held by the stockmen of the state," said the Lincoln man, "and Alliance has every reason to be proud of the entertainment provided. Sports and pastimes of the west that was were numerous and vastly entertaining, but there was plenty of evidence that they represented a 'vanishing west,' for while there were plenty of ropers and riders and outlaw horses, they were outnumbered a hundred to one by the automobiles and the people who never saw a buck, save in a wild west show. It is a good thing to preserve as long as possible these sports and pastimes of the days when the west was in the making, but it will not be possible many years more."

"Dr. Condra, of the welfare and conservation commission, and Will Maupin, of the publicity bureau, attended the convention and took several hundred feet of motion pictures of the sports for preservation in the archives of the state and for future exhibition. They will be a novelty to a majority of Nebraskans of today and to practically every Nebraskan a quarter of a century from now."

The ladies of the First Christian church of Alliance will enjoy a birthday social held at the home of Mrs. H. C. Redinbaugh on Thursday evening. Each person is requested to bring the number of pennies corresponding to the day of the month on which they were born. Light refreshments will be served and games and contests will occupy the remainder of the evening.

OGALLALA ROUND-UP
ON JUNE 3, 4, 5Third Annual Event Offers exceptional
Attractions to Visitors—Purses
in Twelve Events.

The third annual round-up at Ogallala, Nebraska, July 3, 4 and 5, is one of the big attractions of the state which attracts people from all over the union.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
White House
Washington, D. C., May 30, 1918.

This war is one of nations, not of armies, and all of our one hundred million people must be economically and industrially adjusted to war conditions if this nation is to play its full part in the conflict. The problem before us is not primarily a financial problem, but rather a problem of increased production of war essentials and the saving of the materials and the labor necessary for the support and equipment of our army and navy. Thoughtless expenditure of money for non-essentials uses up the labor of men, the products of the farm, mines and factories, and overburdens transportation, all of which must be used to the utmost and at their best for war purposes.

The great results which we seek can be obtained only by the participation of every member of the nation, young and old, in a national, concerted thrift movement. I, therefore, urge that our people everywhere pledge themselves, as suggested by the secretary of the treasury, to the practice of thrift; to serve the government to their utmost in increasing production in all fields necessary to the winning of the war; to conserve food and fuel and useful materials of every kind; to devote their labor only to the most necessary tasks, and to buy only those things which are essential to individual health and efficiency; and that the people as evidence of their loyalty, invest all that they can save in Liberty Bonds and War Savings Stamps. The securities issued by the treasury department are so many of them within the reach of every one that the door of opportunity in this matter is wide open to all of us. To practice thrift in peace times is a virtue, and brings great benefit to the individual at all times. With the desperate need of the civilized world today for materials and labor with which to end the war, the practice of individual thrift is a patriotic duty and a necessity.

I appeal to all who now own either liberty bonds or war savings stamps to continue to practice economy and thrift and to appeal to all who do not own government securities to do likewise and purchase them to the extent of their means. The man who buys government securities transfers the purchasing power of his money to the United States government until after this war, and to that same degree does not buy in competition with the government.

I earnestly appeal to every man, woman and child to pledge themselves, on or before the twenty-eighth of June, to save constantly and to buy as regularly as possible the securities of the government, and to do this as far as possible through membership in war savings societies. The twenty-eighth of June ends this special period of enlistment in the great volunteer army of production and saving here at home. May there be none unenlisted on that day.

(Signed) WOODROW WILSON.

RACING ON STREET
RESULTS IN ACCIDENTHudson Car Driven by Young Lady
Crashed Into Truck, Wrecking
Both of the Cars.

An auto truck and a Hudson touring car were seriously damaged and several persons came near losing their lives last Thursday evening when the auto truck, which was being backed by J. A. Luttrell into his garage at Laramie and Eighth, was struck by the Hudson, which was being driven by an Alliance young woman.

The radiator of the Hudson was completely demolished and the truck doubled up at the rear axle. Neither car overturned and the occupants were not seriously injured.

The accident was the result of a race between the Hudson and a Ford car down Laramie avenue, according to those who saw it. They also report that these races had been of frequent occurrence for a week or more. In endeavoring to go round the Ford the girl driving struck the truck. It was reported that the racing cars were traveling at about 35 to 38 miles an hour when the accident happened.

City authorities are investigating the accident and are also on the lookout for other speeders who grossly violate the city laws by speeding on the streets.

Bertha Gordon Hood, who figured prominently in the famous Chadron suit last year, involving alleged blackmail on the part of Omaha detectives against County Attorney Crites, of Dawes county, has brought suit in the district court of Douglas county for divorce from her husband Robert Hood, an aged and wealthy lumberman of Chadron. Mrs. Hood was formerly a school teacher of Lincoln. She married Hood at Lincoln, Feb. 3, 1916. She is 33 years old. She alleges that her husband has falsely charged her with infidelity. She also charges he struck and beat her and told her he never wanted to see her again. She says she left him Nov. 17, 1917. The Chadron blackmail case was precipitated by an episode in the office of County Attorney Crites in May, 1917, when Philip Winckler, operative for the Omaha detective association, employed, he said, by Robert Hood, to watch the actions of Mrs. Hood, entered Crites' office at night and found Crites, Mrs. Hood, Mrs. Elsie Phelps, alias Ellen Lowery, and Paul Sutton, then an Omaha detective and others waiting for him. Alliance was deeply interested in the blackmail suit on account of the fact that the trial, which ended so suddenly, was held in the Box Butte county court house.

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Miss Anna Collopy arrived on Monday from Gering to spend a few days with her cousin, Miss Lena Atz. She will return to her home on Saturday.

The Baptist Sunday school is going to have some specials for Sunday morning and they will have a very interesting program.

PROGRAM LAST DAY
WELL BALANCEDCrowd Not Near So Large but General
Quality of Attractions Holds Up
to Standard.

The last day of the convention was well attended, the crowd falling to about one-half of what it was Thursday. The events that never grow old was the trick riding by Stroud and Walters.

A beautiful hand-painted vase, valued at \$50, was raffled off, the proceeds going to the Red cross. This vase was presented by and painted by members of the St. Agnes academy.

George Mollring put on an exhibition of his horses between stunts. Mr. Mollring has a fine stable and his courtesy in adding this attraction was appreciated.

Dwight Zedicker, local artist with horses, made an exceptionally good showing during the three days of the program. On the last day a little hard luck and misunderstanding he lost out on the start of several races. Irwin Bros. carried off the big money for the three days.

RED CROSS BENEFIT
AT HAPPY HOLLOWLarge Crowd Attend the Country Re-
sort, Spending Enjoyable Even-
ing—Nice Sum Raised for Fund

An immense crowd attended the program given at Happy Hollow Wednesday evening. The proceeds from the dance, sale of cakes and other articles, realized a neat sum for the Red Cross.

Miss Elizabeth Swanson, the little Canadian niece of Mrs. John Wiker, gave a short recitation to the appreciative audience. Her first selection was a patriotic song, given with such spirit and expression as to stir the listeners to the soul. Miss Swanson, although only 10 years of age, can well be envied by older artists. She has a natural talent and grace that pleases any audience to the extent of calling for encore after encore. Her second selection was the 'Pretty Baby.' As Colonel Coursey and Ben Sallows were right up in the front ranks, the little girl addressed the song to them. 'Twas the first time recorded in history that either the colonel or Ben were known to blush. They did, even to the roots of their hair.

In the cake sale Clark Denny, of Antioch, paid the highest price for a cake. Clark bought the cake two or three times, finally presenting it to some of his friends to lunch on. Eight cakes in all were sold, most of them being turned back and resold.

Mr. Bliss, proprietor of the Happy Hollow ranch, deserves credit for his pleasure resort. The ball-room that he has erected is a fine place for dances, the floor is good and well cared for. Excellent music is furnished the dancers with plenty of refreshments handy. In addition to this the dance is conducted in such a manner as to leave no room for criticism.

The total receipts from the dance, cake sale and refreshments was \$142.85. The cake sale brought in \$31.00.

The occasion was helped a great deal by the Delco people, who used their farm lighting plant, demonstrating the convenience of electricity on the farm.

WILSON ENDORSES
THE CHAUTAUQUAStandard Chautauqua Will Give Ex-
cellent Program at Alliance from
July 10 to 15.

All arrangements have been made by the Standard chautauqua for the program to be given at Alliance. The program this year promises much in the way of interesting and novel events to the lovers of intellectual entertainment. In addition to the entertainment certain events on the bill will be educational.

A few features of the program to be given this year appear in this issue of The Herald. Programs with a full account of the attractions can be had at the Community club.

Elias Boukather, who has been visiting his aunt, Mrs. Annie Simmons, returned to Lincoln last week to arrange to leave with the draft contingent going out of there on the 22nd.

COLLEGE LA
ARRIVE
WESTSEVENTY MEN
UNIVER-
SITY OF CHICAGO ARRIVE TO
WORK WESTERN DIVISION

EXPERIMENT BY CHIEF PRATT

If Volume of Work Warrants the
Trouble, Plan Will be followed
Next Summer.

Seventy students of the University of Chicago, under a plan formulated by Chief Special Agent T. E. Pratt at Chicago headquarters, enrolled in the service of the railroad for the summer. Although the plan was originated by Mr. Pratt, the work of lining up the students and settling the details was attended to by J. Z. Gaston, a senior student at the college.

The list of men who were willing to go west for the summer and help in railroad work, was easily obtained, as all the college men considered it a privilege to help lessen the labor problem by offering their services.

The young men were allotted seventeen cars to come west, departure being made from the Chicago station last Monday. The detachment arrived in Alliance at 3:30 Tuesday afternoon, being in charge of C. C. Bradley, special deputy of Mr. Pratt, and with J. Z. Gaston in charge of the students, representing the university. After an all-night layover the students started work on the tracks at Antioch Wednesday morning. It is expected that they will complete the work inside of two weeks and then proceed west.

In an interview with the young men Wednesday evening, the consensus of opinion among the students, in regard to the plan was highly favorable. The experience was highly novel to them all, being the first trip west for the majority of them. One young man on entering Nebraska saw a blackbird flying overhead and most trustingly asked Mr. Bradley if it was a prairie dog. Another one asked the Herald reporter if the reports circulated by the engineers in regard to the large snake out here was true. The boys spoke very highly of the treatment given them by the railroad. On the trip out they were given standard dining room and pullman service, the meal furnished by the dining room rate would have cost \$1.75 per plate. Two cars, which will remain with the crew, are fitted with shower baths, giving the boys a luxury not left behind when they left Chicago. Each living car is outfitted with eight bunks, there being only eight men to a car. These cars are in first class condition and make very comfortable living quarters.

The departments represented at the university among the men in the company are: Three physicians, 1 minister, 4 lawyers, 6 chemists, 4 physicists, 1 astrologist, 5 commercial, 45 arts and science college. In addition to these some of the boys made mention of the fact that included among their number were a few pirates and crap shooters.

In the near future the young men are putting on a theatrical program, which they will give up and down the line. They can well do this as there are enough men along with their musical instruments to form a band, besides several men interested in the glee club are along making it possible to arrange a good quartet. At the close of the summer the students will take a tour of the Yellowstone national park, returning to school in tip top condition for their next year's work.

Superintendent Griggs has issued orders all along the line for the engineers to be extra cautious when approaching the zone where the students are working. All extra precaution necessary will be taken to prevent accidents during the summer's work. Mr. Griggs and Mr. Bradley, both were present at Antioch during the initiation of the students to real work, being favorably impressed with the first day's work. As soon as the boys get hardened to the work the volume accomplished will increase.

Following are the men enlisted in the work. Some of men prominent in the business and professional world of Chicago shows up on the list:

Northwestern University — Charles Wooster, Ginsburg brothers.

Chicago university — C. E. Anderson, Wm. Balsam, T. O. Barklow, A. V. Bishop, George Bollder, S. Brinkner, E. F. Byrne, H. G. Campbell, N. R. Chapman, B. Constable, B. H. Cox, E. B. Conklin, Al D. Groat, Maurice DeKoven, Herman Elkins, W. E. Lettelle, Myron Fisher, K. Friedman, J. M. Garner, Ray A. Garner, J. Z. Gaston, J. G. Gfroerer, Jack Glasser, C.

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